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enough THC content to affect a person's brain regardless of how much is smoked. Marijuana, that people try to smoke to get the high, is about a hundred times higher in THC content. outcompetes weeds and needs no herbicides. Industrial hemp is one of the longest and strongest natural fibers in the plant In the hemp plant, there is an adverse correlation between fiber content and the level of THC. Industrial hemp grown for fiber and hempseed oil. An acre planted to industrial hemp would produce over twice the fiber of an acre planted of high-fiber trees, such as popular (sic--poplar). An acre hemp has twice the biomass potential of an acre of switch grass. and switch grass is often mentioned as an ingredient that could be used to make ethanol. Another benefit to bring...of using hemp as a source of fiber for paper production is carbon sequestration. The nation could reduce nonsustainable logging and the carbon tied up in the living timber would remain there. I'm handing out a reprint of an article from the Audubon magazine show...which argues persuasively for the legalization I've also handed out a reprint of the of industrial hemp. Hawaii Legislature showing how the state legislated actions regarding the growing of industrial hemp. Note that Hawaii, Maryland, Minnesota, New Mexico, and North Dakota...I'll repeat those states again, look at the geographic diversity, Hawaii, Maryland, Minnesota, New Mexico, and North Dakota have all passed similar legislation that, at a minimum, provides for monitoring...for monitored pilot planning studies. There are many environmental reasons for using hemp, but I'm not going to over all of them right now. But I think we need to understand that even if we pass this legislation we will not be able to grow hemp in Nebraska until the Drug Enforcement Agencies (sic--Administration) would license us to do that, and don't know if or when that's going to happen, but there is a movement amongst many states to do this. Kentuckv has...is doing research on it. Illinois passed this similar legislation this year, but the Governor of Illinois vetoed it. So I am kind of excited about this. I don't think you're going to see acres and acres of hemp grown next year in the state of Nebraska if we pass this because you can't get the horse ahead of the cart. We would need...we would need processing facilities, and I think that's what's happened up in Canada. They tried to grow the plant...they tried to grow the product before they had the